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MISS MILDRED DAVENPORT will again appear.

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Or, The Night Owls of Alamo Plaza.

Ready Bob, Outlaws, Charlie Frye, Ed Sylvester, and other characters by the company.

FROM LAREDO.

ANOTHER LETTER FROM THAT CITY REGARDING MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

The Correspondent Gives Some Figures Regarding Past Work, and Wants a New Deal All Around.

Editor San Antonio Light.

LAREDO, March 12.—I must apologize for troubling you with another letter on municipal affairs. Voter has evidently struck oil elsewhere and left me alone to fight the battle. My integrity for truth is at stake. I will be particular to hold to facts, and if my opponents doubt what I say, all I do say can be proved free of cost.

To prove that our municipal affairs have been corrupt for many years past, I will give a case that took place, I think, in the year 1878. The City Council of that time voted the sum of \$12,000 to put concrete walks round the inner square of Church plaza. After spending \$3000 or \$4000 of this amount it struck one of our citizens that honesty was not the Council's motto, so he put an injunction on both the work and money, and up to this day the injunction holds good, and has not been removed. The citizen who did it still lives in Laredo.

This case was taken into court, and was decided against the City Council. The work could have been carried out for \$5000. Then why vote \$12,000? Again, I think it was in the year 1881, our City Council spent some \$13,000 in grading and graveling our streets. The work was given to a man privately, no bids asked for; oh no, could not think of it. The man who did the work always said, even on his death bed, that the work had to be bought at a big price, and for that reason two inches of gravel in place of eight inches was the most ever went on the streets. In less than one month after completion gravel was a curiosity, not to be seen.

Now I must take up this market house business once more, and I dare the City Council to contradict me after a practical man has inspected the same, but let the gentleman be proposed by some citizen not connected with the ring. I tell not only the City Council and Engineer, but all citizens and taxpayers that from bottom to top the building is not according to contract, neither the brick work, stone work, carpenter work, iron work and tinners work, not one of which is being carried out to drawings, specification or contract, and if allowed to go on to completion in the way it is going, the citizen and taxpayer is being defrauded of money to the amount of from \$12,000 to \$14,000, and I challenge the City Council to place all drawings in the hands of two private citizens and their late City Engineer. If they will, I will pay expenses and place the cash in the Milmo bank.

Never a chance such as this will present itself for a city council to prove they are honest. Now is your time, gentlemen. Walk up.

It is only a fair question to ask, "Who ought to have the benefit of all this money? And who is it that has to pay for this building?" The tax payer of course.

Then I ask these gentlemen to do their duty; put aside your own self interests, and for once in your lives, do your duty to your fellow citizens.

You may plead ignorance of all this race, but I tell this City Council they are fully cognizant of all that is going on, and this they will find out unless they are honest or some explanation made in the matter. These transactions don't stop with market house, etc. It is a disgrace to a civilized community that such transactions should be allowed and it ought to be put before a grand jury. If we have men who claim a right for a pension let us forward their names to Washington, or make a general subscription for them, but don't let our improvements be carried on merely for the sake of fraud. Citizens have been trying to see plans or specifications, and are told by the contractor there are none. May be the District Court can put a writ in when it meets, and the grand jury may want to see them, what then?

One thing is certain, this must and will be probed to the bottom, and if the City Council want information, they can obtain it where I get mine. It is no way to get out by saying a man is a self-styled citizen and voter. We all remember the language the person used when he was charged with attending a funeral in Mexico with a woman not his wife. I want go so far, for, as a rule, there is more truth than poetry in such matters.

Our guardian angel is jealous of the Light. Your paper is written by gentlemen for gentlemen, and is truthful, independent and free to all, and no stranger to the Laredo people, who, as a rule, love fair play and intend to do their duty in this section of country in spite of our guardian angel, who evidently belongs to the ring.

I appeal to every honest man in Laredo to take Voter's advice. Rise to a man, storm this stronghold of corruption, break these chains which at present hang heavily round our necks, return men at the coming election who will promise to study the citizens' interests. The bulwark of this ring are so rotten a bad egg would clean through them. Corruption and fraud, my dear fellow citizens, are not the correct material to build up a city; take your picks and spurs this U. S. ring. This cancer which is sucking out your heart's blood. Call a convention and don't be afraid. Never forget that if a man attempts to pick your pocket in the street

In open day light you can make the attempt to knock him down, but when your money is squandered by those in power, as it is being done now, your only chance is to turn such men out of office and put in their place men of more sterling worth, men whose motto is honesty, retrenchment and reform. Now is your time; break up this cursed ring; explain and show the poor, ignorant voter a true statement of facts. Other improvements have to take place, and so long as this ring holds the fort, frauds will continue to exist. Men who refuse to go into this market house fraud will certainly refuse to do any better in the future. Turn them out, clean your public offices of such corruption. You have scores of better men to put in their places.

ASSASSINS.

Numbered Conspiracy by Two Mexicans to Kill Policeman Coy.

From information furnished them at a late hour yesterday evening the police proceeded to arrest and jail two Mexicans giving their names as Cecilio Chazo and Santiago Tijero. The charge against them is that of forming a conspiracy to assassinate Jacob S. Coy, the special policeman who formed a prominent figure in the Thompson-Plisher tragedy. The information was given to the police by two Mexican women who claimed to have overheard the two men arrested talking to a third whom they offered a \$50 house to show them Coy's house. All three of them were afterward seen near Coy's house by Policemen Brown and Rife. The name of the third party has not been learned. Chazo is a Deputy United States Marshal and carries papers as Deputy Sheriff of La Salle county. He is spoken of as a good, reliable and efficient officer. Neither of the two were arrested when arrested at the Washington saloon. They will have an examining trial and all the facts will come out.

Birthday Party.

Last night Mr. W. Scott received several of his acquaintances at his residence on Laredo street, in view of commemorating his wife's 54th birthday. The evening was spent in music, singing and other amusements, while Scotch cake was handed round in the good old fashion. Miss Louise Bell charmed the audience with the sympathetic and delicate touch with which she handled the organ, and stirred the hearts of several old Highlanders present with a "Hundred Pipes," and "All the Blue Bonnets are over the border." Mr. Neelson executed the Scotch sword dance to the delight of all, following it up with a Scottish reel and schottish. Mr. Scott, who is a well traveled gentleman, showed his guests many valuable relics of noted men and noted places. When the health of the host and hostess had been drunk, the guests sat down to an elegant repast, and finally left about 2:30 in the morning after singing "Auld Lang Syne" with hands crossed according to the fashion of their forefathers. Among those present were: Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Allison, Mrs. Boltinghouse, Miss Louise Bell, Miss Maggie Bell, Miss Katie Bell, Miss Clara Heape, Miss Annie Allison and Miss Louise Oealy.

El Paso Officials.

Nearly all of the prominent county officials of El Paso county are in the city on a visit, and can be found at the Menger hotel. The following are the chief amongst them: Marshal Rodgers, County Judge Manuel E. Flores, County Clerk G. Garcia, County Comptroller J. M. Gonzales, Assistant County Comptroller and Moritz Lowenstein, County Treasurer.

Harmony Union.

A society, composed of some of the leading young Hebrew society men, met last night and organized the Harmony Union. The charter members number about 20—object of the association, social amusement and entertainment. The following officers were elected: President, Harry Baum; Vice President, Nat Sulzbacher; Treasurer, Lazarus Frank; Secretary, G. B. Frank; Committee on Entertainment, Jake Zimmer, M. F. Marks, Mose Baumblatt.

The Dude.

The Friendly Tip combination held the boards at Turner opera hall last night, and gave only a fair performance. Harry Warren, as Sir Chauncey Trip, the dude, created considerable fun. There is no plot nor plan to the farce, but as something to laugh at it would be a success if rendered by a stronger company. The support is rather weak, the only redeeming characters being Bertie Menhirley and Arthur Weybourne. The audience was in good humor, however, and bestowed abundant applause, especially when the dude turned up. The company appears again to-night.

A Dressmaker.

Late of Lord & Taylor, of New York, wishes to take Voter's advice by the way. Address "G. G." Light Office.

The Cat Broke.

Yesterday afternoon a cask, containing a large amount of sulphuric acid, rolled off a float, on Houston street, and broke, the acid spreading over a greater part of the street. Mr. Caen, of the Fertilizing company, who was present when the accident took place, caused the spot on which the sulphuric acid lay to be surrounded with planks, so as to prevent foot passengers and horses from treading in it, thereby injuring themselves.

THE MAVERICK SUIT.

END OF THE BIG LAND CASE IN THE FEDERAL COURT.

Heavy Verdict for Damages Against the International Road—The Volkstest Committee Sued.

The celebrated case of Polar de Sabanaga, et al., vs. Mary Maverick et al., which has occupied the attention of the Federal court since Monday morning last, has at length been concluded, at least so far as this court is concerned. In reality the litigation is but now fairly begun. For two days past the attorneys interested in the case have been engaged in argument upon the legality of the confiscation proceedings of 1819, under which the land in question was sold, and by which the Sabanaga claim to have received their title, having purchased at confiscation sale. The introduction of the record of the acquisition by the plaintiffs at that time was of vital importance to support the present action. The counsel for defense fought "bitterly" against it, and several able arguments were listened to on either side. During the argument a copy of the constitution of Spain, which was adopted with such parade, pomp and splendid ceremony, in 1812, was introduced to prove the illegality of the confiscation proceedings of 1819. That document expressly forbids the confiscation of land by such process as this land in question was confiscated and sold in 1819, when this city, then a mere village, was raided and captured by a Mexican lieutenant. It is a rare document and very interesting.

Yesterday afternoon the argument was concluded and the question submitted to Judge Turner for decision. He decided that the plaintiffs had failed to show any legal confiscation and sale of the land, and hence had established no title to it. He denied them the introduction of the confiscation records, unless supported by other testimony as to the regularity and authority of the proceedings. By this ruling the plaintiffs were left without any ground to stand upon, and they were minus the initial link in their chain of title. Under Judge Turner's instructions the jury returned a verdict in favor of the defendants, and judgment was given in accordance therewith.

The next case called for trial was that of Toppleman and Pierce vs. H. E. Tuttle, et al., a suit to fix the boundary line between the case of last night in Zavalla county, and involving the title to a section of land some 500 acres wide and five miles long. This was argued and submitted, and Judge Turner has taken his decision and judgment. The morning the prisoners were filed into court and the criminal docket was called. The pleas of prisoners were heard and counsel appointed. The trial of the case of National Underwood vs. the International Railway for \$28,000 damages was concluded in the District court late yesterday evening and submitted to the jury which brought in a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, awarding him the sum of \$10,000 as damages. This is a heavy verdict, but much less than the plaintiff demanded. The railway company will take an appeal, and carry the case to the Supreme court before it is finally adjudicated. The allegations of the plaintiff's petition set out that he was terribly maimed and scalded on July last while a passenger on the road, and at a station some twenty miles from San Antonio. The injuries were caused by the collision of a locomotive with the car in which he was by which he was thrown out and injured as set out. It was claimed that the collision was due to the carelessness and negligence of the employees of the road for whose acts the road is held responsible.

Court is not in session to-day as none of the cases set for trial were ready and no trials could be had. The clerk is busy writing up his minutes.

OTHER COURTS.

The County Commissioners' court is also taking a rest from its labors to-day. Commissions Guergin, eting County Judge during the absence of Judge Mason, will try the two Mexican women, mentioned elsewhere in to-day's issue, upon the charge of larceny as soon as the testimony is ready.

No items could be gathered in the Justice's court this morning, but among the cases set for trial before Justice Adam for to-morrow is that of Ludwig Mahne vs. M. Lindner et al., for a balance claimed to be due on an account for wines. This action grows out of the Volkstest celebration. Mahne's account was originally for \$130, and is set out as being for wines, etc., furnished the Volkstest Executive committee and others by their authority. A credit of \$78 is made on the account, but the balance of \$52 is still, he claims, unpaid.

Tramps.

The police ran in six of these gentry yesterday whom they found in the vicinity of the stock pens. The keeper reported them and said they had been sleeping in the hay. They were brought before the recorder this morning. All were stout, healthy looking and able-bodied, two of them being quite youthful. They each pleaded not guilty at first and were allowed by the recorder to make their statements. Each avowed his ability to disprove the charge of vagrancy and the recorder ordered that they give a bond in the sum of \$50 each and the cases go over until to-morrow. Before the adjournment of the court however, five of the bunch thought better of the matter and were allowed to plead guilty. They received the sentence of \$10 or 30 days each.

Deaths.

A. Ruiz, aged 34 years, died on the 13th from phthisis pulmonalis.

LIGHT FLASHES.

What the Reporters Learned on Their Tour Through the City.

Mr. Watson gave his last lecture yesterday evening.

—Divine service at the Temple Beth El this evening at 8 o'clock, and on to-morrow morning at 10.

—O. B. Frank, after an illness of more than a week from fever, is able to be out again.

—The Floresville court house is progressing very slowly, on account of the want of bricks.

—Joe Foster is improving and resting easily, though he is as yet by no means out of danger.

—Harriet W. Young, colored, aged 10 months, daughter of Thomas Young, died yesterday of whooping cough, in the Fourth ward.

—Mr. Pete Freer received a telegram this morning announcing the death of the baby boy of Mr. Jerry L. Donnelly, at Houston yesterday.

—Mr. Scott is getting through with his sidewalk on Houston street and will go from thence to Avenue C, where another block sidewalk will be laid.

—Everybody should turn out to-morrow night to show their appreciation of our leading musical societies, and give proof of their liberality and readiness in helping the poor and distressed.

—The Beethoven Maennerchor, which has not been before the public for some time, will favor the public, to-morrow night, with some beautiful choruses, so will the Mendelson Singing society.

—The concert to-morrow night, at Turner hall, for the flood sufferers, promises to be the musical treat of the season. On the programme appear the names of the best talent of the city.

—The ladies of this city who are interested in the improvement of the public cemeteries are requested to meet in the parlor of the Menger hotel next Monday afternoon, March 17, at 2:30 o'clock.

—There are no new developments from the Coy affair at last night. Chazo and Tijero are still in jail. Most people are inclined to regard the matter as sensational. The Mexican women, who gave the information, however, are vouched for as reliable and truthful, and positively identified the two Mexicans at police headquarters last night. On the other hand, we learn that Chazo was appointed a special United States Deputy Marshal upon the recommendation of respectable and reliable citizens.

A Merchants' Exchange Building.

A meeting of the members of the Merchants' Exchange is to be convened to-morrow at 3 p. m. as to the possibility of erecting an exchange building in San Antonio on the joint stock plan. The proposed scheme is to erect a building three stories in height, the lower floor of which is to be adapted for the use of stores, the second floor for the exchange hall and some business offices, and the third floor for the purposes of offices alone. It is believed that by a judicious renting of the stores and offices the exchange would become not only self-supporting, but would also be enabled to pay a dividend on the stock. This scheme is due to the ability and energy of the enterprising Secretary of the San Antonio Merchants' Exchange, Mr. Stephen Gould.

Louis Bismarck.

The great violinist virtuoso, has been engaged for the San Antonio music festival. Further particulars concerning this celebrated artist will appear in the next issue of the Music Festival Bulletin.

Dude Matinee.

The Friendly Tip company give a matinee at Turner opera house to-morrow at 1:30 sharp. Admission 50 cents to all parts of the house. See the Great New York dude.

PERSONAL.

Items Gleaned from the Hotel Corridors and Various Other Sources.

Mr. G. Douglas arrived this morning from Mexico.

Mr. J. P. Tollner, of Saltillo, Mexico, is a guest at the Menger.

Mr. Hugo Wetzel, a merchant of New Braunfels, is resting at the Menger.

Hon. John Woods, of Lavaca county, spent the day yesterday in our town.

Colonel T. H. Zanderson, the well known sheep raiser and wool buyer, returned from a trip to his ranch this morning.

Mr. J. B. Rawlings, of the Fort Worth Gazette, placed his autograph on Hord's hotel register yesterday.

Mr. J. T. Rankin, Sheriff of Fayette county, is in the city.

Mr. W. B. Sloan, of Kyle, is at the Hord hotel.

Mr. W. H. Fountain, County Surveyor of Atascosa, is visiting San Antonio.

Messrs. J. W. and J. R. Cook, prominent stockmen of Pleasanton, are registered at the Central. They bring a fine lot of horses with them.

Colonel D. L. Russell, of Belton, is in the city on legal business.

Dr. Johns, accompanied by his wife, have returned to San Antonio from Saltillo, and intend making their home here.

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ADDITIONAL TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

PRINCETON, Pa., March 13.—A syndicate of Western manufacturers is said to have been formed to control the brass market. Three of the leading producers of the country, the Joel Hayden company, Cleveland; Peck Brothers & Co., New Haven, and Hayden & Co., Haydensville, Mass., have already been absorbed by the syndicate.

COLUMBIA, March 13.—In the Supreme court to-day, before Stimson, Chief Justice, the habeas corpus case of J. B. C. Case, charged with being an accessory, after the fact to the murder of Town Marshal Eldorado, at Cherokee, was heard. Attorney-General Miles submitted the papers and dispositions, tending to prove that Colonel Case was accessory before the facts also, and therefore amenable to the same laws governing the felony of the principal. Motion is being argued now to commit Colonel Case on the depositions presented to the court. The State is making a vigorous effort to sustain its charges, that Colonel Case was an accessory to the murder. The latter is still at large, but it is expected he will come in and surrender soon.

St. Louis, March 13.—The Weekly Post will publish extracts from an official dispatch of Prince Bismarck to the German consuls in the United States with regard to the prohibition of American pork. Bismarck instructs the Consuls to do everything in their power to cultivate friendly relations between Germany and the United States. He says that the exclusion of American pork arose altogether from sanitary reasons and has no unfriendly character whatever, and intimates that it would be the interest of the United States to adopt such sanitary measures as exist in Europe, and thereby put Germany in a position to permit the importation of American pork. The dispatch shows convincingly that the German Chancellor does not want to provoke retaliation, but that it is his aim to preserve friendly relations between Germany and the United States.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The cablegram reporting the speech of Prince Bismarck, was shown this evening by a representative of the associated press to members of the Foreign Affairs committee of the House and other members of the House, by whom it was read with interest. Among the comments made upon the subject was the following: Governor Curtin, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs committee, and ex-Minister to Russia, said: "A great big Statesman made a great big mistake. When such a mistake is made, it is apt to be a big one. The diplomacy of Secretary Frelinghuysen, in this connection, is very commendable, and we shall probably say so in our report to-morrow." Senator Eustis, a member of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the sub-committee to which the subject of the Lasker resolution was referred, said: "The speech shows that Bismarck, in making such a mistake, has no antipathy against the American people, and no violent resolution can possibly pass our committee. We shall probably report to-morrow, and I cannot express my opinion more fully until then. I will say that the Department of State does serve well of the country and this House, and has sustained the high reputation it has maintained for 100 years." Kasson, ex-Minister to Austria, said: "Prince Bismarck evidently regarded the refusal to forward our resolutions as a purely internal German question, and aims to show it. Except Bismarck, no one in Europe, so far as known, thought the resolutions were aimed at, or in any way related to the domestic politics of Germany. As an utterance of courtesy and friendly sympathy they were intended, and so said distinctly. It is hard to show any reason for saying it over again."

Josefa de Garcia and her daughter, Francesca, were put in jail yesterday, on the charge of insanity. A jury de lunatico inquired will be empaneled to determine their cases.

County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners adjourned yesterday until Saturday, that is to-morrow week, for the purpose of hearing the report of the jury of view in the matter of the Hookport and Castrolville road.

Building Permits.

L. Walters, lumber repairs to dwelling, 3247, east side Laredo street, \$300.

Ed Steves, two story rock dwelling, 4045, east side King William street, \$5000.

A. Horbert, lumber stable, east side Mission street, \$150.

That Jack Saver.

Health Officer E. Opperman yesterday informed a Loner reporter that he gave the permission for a sewer to be laid from the jail to the San Pedro creek, to carry off the rain water from the roof, and waste water from scouring, but expressly stated that no solid matter or offal was to be run through the pipe. Afterward County Commissioner E. Braden allowed the connection to be made from the privy vaults to this drain pipe, but he (Opperman) checked the work before it was completed and it is now in an unfinished state.

"Doctor, I've got the lumbago! What had I better do for it?" "Well, I don't think I can recommend anything more simple and efficacious than a capsule of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I have had anything but drawbacks all my life, and now here's another."—Yonkers Gazette.

A Bismarck young man received a letter from his girl back in Pennsylvania in which she said: "Oh honey my Lef for You Involupts M! hart in Chances of golden For aser. I stamps all sole in a see of Honey bla." The case is more serious than he thought it was.